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**Table 21. Future Sulfur Content Limits on Motor Fuels in Selected Countries**

Fuel	United States		European Union		Australia	
	Limit	Date	Limit	Date	Limit	Date
Gasoline . . . . .	30 ppm	Phase-in 2004-2006	50 ppm	As of 1/1/2005	500 ppm <sup>a</sup>	Current Standard
					150 ppm <sup>b</sup>	Current Standard
					150 ppm <sup>c</sup>	As of 1/1/2005
Diesel . . . . .	15 ppm	As of 6/1/2006	50 ppm	As of 1/1/2005	500 ppm	As of 12/31/2002
			10 ppm	As of 1/1/2009	50 ppm	As of 1/1/2006

<sup>a</sup>For unleaded gasoline and lead replacement gasoline.

<sup>b</sup>For premium unleaded gasoline.

<sup>c</sup>For all grades.

Sources: **United States:** U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, "Control of Air Pollution from New Motor Vehicles: Tier 2 Motor Vehicle Emission Standards and Gasoline Control Requirements," *Federal Register* (February 10, 2000). **European Union:** European Parliament, Directive 98/70/EC, Official Journal L 350 (December 28, 1998); and "E.U. Slashes Sulphur Content in Road Fuels from 2005," Reuters News Service Planet Ark (February 3, 2003), web site [www.planetark.com/dailynewsstory.cfm?newsid=19675&newsdate=03-Feb-2003](http://www.planetark.com/dailynewsstory.cfm?newsid=19675&newsdate=03-Feb-2003). **Australia:** Attorney General's Department, Office of Legislative Drafting, "Fuel Standards Quality Act of 2000: Fuel Standards (Diesel and Petrol)" (October 8, 2001).